PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Covernor of the State of Texas

41-1051

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

REPRODUCED FROM THE HOLDINGS OF THE TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

I disapprove, and am vetoing and filing with the Secretary of State

House Bill 814. This Bill authorizes teachers in private or parochial
elementary and secondary schools or "in private or parochial institutions of
higher education in Texas" who subsequently become members of the Teacher
Retirement System of Texas to acquire retirement credit for their teaching
experience before becoming a member by making contributions equal to both
the State's and the member's share of such payments. Article III, Section 46
of the Texas Constitution authorizes the Legislature "to establish a fund to
provide retirement, disability and death benefits for persons employed in the
public schools, colleges and universities supported wholly or partly by the
State." Thus the use of the fund is limited to providing benefits to persons
who have been employed in the public educational institutions. The extension
of benefits to cover periods of employment prior to employment in the public
schools, colleges and universities violates this constitutional provision.

House Bill 814 was received in the Governor's Office on May 29, 1965, less than 10 days prior to the adjournment of the Regular Session of the 59th Legislature, and in accordance with Article IV, Section 14 of the Constitution of Texas, the Bill, together with this Proclamation, is filed with the Secretary of State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I Have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the seal of State to be affixed hereto at Austin this / R day of June, 1965.

By the Governor:

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FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE 2 45 pm o'clock

ARIN 20 1965

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